

Amendments to the Drawings:

Please substitute the attached 37 sheets (Figs. 1A – 24D) of formal drawings for the informal drawings originally filed with the application. A separate Transmittal of Formal Drawings is submitted.

The drawing sheets attached in connection with the above-identified application containing Figures 1A – 24D are being presented as new formal drawing sheets to be substituted for the previously submitted drawing sheets.

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1 – 36.

In the specification, paragraphs have been amended on pages 8, 19 and 91 to overcome the Examiner's objections under 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) to the drawings. Replacement drawing sheets are submitted herewith in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84(c).

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

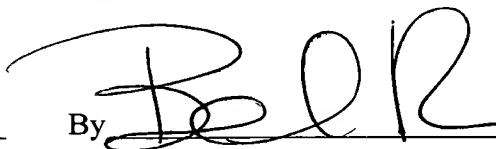
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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